



# Washington State Department of Early Learning

## **ECEAP POLICY MEMO 06-03**

### **SUBJECT: OVER-INCOME ENROLLMENT LIMITS**

Effective immediately, a sliding scale for over-income enrollment limits will be used. This sliding scale is based on each contractor's funded enrollment level (FEL.)

As you know, RCW 28A.215.110 allows up to 10% of statewide ECEAP enrollment to be children from over-income families if they meet at-risk criteria. Previously, we've been requiring each contractor to keep within this 10% limit. However, this does not provide much flexibility for small programs or those in rural areas. In analyzing the data, we've seen that many contractor enrollments fall well below the 10% ceiling.

Since the RCW requires the 10% limit on a statewide basis, we will still be able to comply with the law, while allowing contractors greater flexibility to meet the needs of their communities.

Requests for adjustments will be considered on a case-by-case basis, if demographics change suddenly in your area.